

The weekly Marine and Rail Oil Transportation Study meeting is held Thursdays at the Ecology Headquarters building in Lacey and via teleconference. Along with Ecology staff, attendees include military personnel from the [Emergency Management Division](#) (EMD), and staff from Washington [Utility Transportation Commission](#) (UTC). The following is a summary of the **July 3, 2014** discussion:

#### **Emergency Management Department Update**

Emergency responder survey work is complete and local emergency planning committee (LEPC) plan reviews are done. Staff continue to work outreach efforts with the tribes. Deliverables are on schedule.

#### **Washington Utility & Transportation Commission Update**

BNSF, Union Pacific, and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) are working diligently to support the informational needs of the study. WSDOT will be participating in weekly project meetings. The UTC is heavily engaged with the newly-onboard Environmental Research Consulting (ERC) rail team and on track to meet deadlines for that aspect of the study.

#### **Environmental Research Consulting (ERC)**

July 9-11 will be significant joint work time with ECY, UTC, and EMD. It will be a driver for the success of the project. ERC is looking at the week of August 4-8 to schedule “experts” stakeholder meetings for marine, rail, and response.

#### **Project Status and Review**

The Ecology Technical writing team is finishing work to hand over to ERC. The transition will take place during the July project visit. The meeting focus is deliverables, timeline, and stakeholder outreach program. ECR has access to all ECY, UTC, EMD work so far via our project share point site and a copy FTP site. Ferguson pressed all to use the study website to keep our citizens current on our efforts. We are tracking to meet all deadlines.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- July and August Puget Sound, Grays Harbor, and Lower Columbia River Harbor Safety Committee meetings
- August 18-20 – Security Summit West, Tacoma